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The more one is able to glean of the difficulty with regard to the Constitution the more reasonable appears to be the President's attitude with regard to it. He takes his stand on the experience that he has gathered during the past two years, and from that experience he is led to the conclusion that some of the proposals are impracticable. He instances the question of the necessity of the approval of Parliament for the appointment of Ministers nominated by the President. If the history of the past two years is any guide at all there would be an almost incessant series of changes in the Cabinet if the votes of want of confidence and other provisions of the Constitution relating to Ministers were carried into effect. We do not say that the exact proposals made by the President are a final solution, but the fact that in his suggestion for modification he is supported by all the provincial authorities is at least an indication that his objections have the approval of practical men. The whole issue is one that should be settled by consent and compromise. There is scarcely a detail that could not be improved by compromising between the demands of Parliament and those of the President. Thus, the establishment of a Committee for Parliament, a body that is to be on duty in Peking during the time that Parliament is not in session, in order to watch the conduct of the officers of State and maintain the strictest vigilance over them, is in itself a good thing. It is a frequent complaint that whilst Parliament is not in session in western lands, the Government does pretty well what it likes. An instance of this was Mr. Roosevelt's Panama agreement.

The question is whether, in China, the time has come for the complete annulment of Presidential authority and its subordination to the handful of members known as the Committee for Parliament. If it has, well and good; shut the President up in a secret chamber of the Constitution whence he shall never issue forth even to take the air until the time comes for the incarceration of a new victim. Some most competent observers strongly hold that for some time to come there must be very considerable power and authority vested in the President and his Ministers. But there is surely a middle course between the two which the Chinese instinct for compromise, if there were any real desire to find a working formula between President and Parliament, should have no difficulty in discovering. In this matter it is essential that there should be mutual desire for co-operation. It is no use setting out with the idea that either party to the controversy can govern the Republic without the help or goodwill of the other. As Sir John Jordan has said, the President has rendered almost unparalleled services to his country, and for that the country owes him at least the credit of sincerity; and on the other hand the great majority of the members of Parliament have been working for years for progress and freedom, and have heretofore demonstrated their sincere desire for the welfare of the country. Between two parties sincerely desiring the same thing it must be possible to find a working agreement. — "National Review" (Shanghai).

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THE NEW EGYPT.
Mr. Sidney Low's Tribute to Lord Kitchener.
"Creating a Parliament."
To The Fortnightly Review for October Mr. Sidney Low contributes an article on "Lord Kitchener's Egypt." He gives a full, though necessarily condensed, account of the conditions before the present administration, and shows how Lord Kitchener, by a firm grasp of the country's needs, has inaugurated what seems destined to prove a new and more hopeful era. "Lord Kitchener," he says, "has been engaged in activities of all kinds during this strangely varied career, which began, it may be remembered, with the peaceful and scholarly duty of assisting in the archaeological survey of Palestine. From biblical antiquities to Omdurman and Paardeberg and Pretoria and Simla and back to Cairo, how long and stirring a march! In the course of it Lord Kitchener has found himself called upon more than once to construct a constitution; though this is the first time that he has had to create a Parliament. For that is what the reformed Egyptian Legislative Assembly is eventually destined to become, even though it is barely in the adolescent, almost in the embryonic, stage at present."
PERIOD OF URGENT.
"That Lord Kitchener should consider it safe and advisable to sanction this further advance towards self-government is all the more gratifying since Egypt, when he took over the control of its affairs in July, 1911, was under a political cloud. The three previous years had been marked by a good deal of economic depression, the natural and inevitable result of the excessive inflation of the preceding period which culminated in the collapse of the great speculative boom of 1907. The public revenue was increasing, and the general resources of this country untouched; but the banking and business community was in disorder, and there were numerous failures. "This disturbance of the financial atmosphere more easily responsive to that wave of unrest which passed over the Mohammedan world after 1908. The operations of the Young Turks Committee, too, affected all Islamic countries more or less, and in Cairo the committee had its agents in close touch with the groups of semi-educated young native agitators, who were representative of Turkish autocracy, and the British control, as

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Vegetables etc.		
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Red Root, — Hing Choi Kau	12	8	紅根
Ringals, Green, — Chung Yau	11	8	紅心
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Orange Root, — Hing Y. Choy	11		紅心
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Orange Shuoka, — Hing Shun	11	10	紅心

Shower, Large size	12	—	—
Medium size.—Cheung Yot Cho F.	12	—	—
Small size.—Sui Loo Chu Fa	12	—	—
Carrots.—Kam Shun	16	6	—
Olives, Chinese.—Tong hao Choo	22	8	—
—Kiu Sh.—Yung	22	—	—
Million Orbits.—Yong Lat Chui	24	26	—
Peas.—Hung Fat	24	15	—

Grown, Chung Lo Chiu	12	●
Curry Stalk, Anglian.—Bac Lo, che Li	10	●
Cucumbers, —Ding Kwa	8	●
Cutler Syrah, —Fai Kwa	10	●
Garlic, —Que Fui	8	●
Grass, yung, —Shao, see Sheng	6	●
—, old, —Lo Sheng	10	●

Horse Radish, Fresh, Lb. 50	—	15	
Indian Corn, Dried, 100	—	10	
Horseradish, Young Stalks, Lb.	—	1	
Winter Cucumbers, Dried, Lb.	—	6	
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THE MEXICAN CRISIS.

ULTIMATUM FROM THE UNITED STATES.

LONDON, Nov. 13.

The United States is seeking the acquiescence of the Powers in a policy of discouraging the granting of financial aid to President Huerta. It is believed that, in a few weeks, financial isolation would force President Huerta's retirement.

Mr. Hale, who is recognised as President Wilson's personal representative, has been conferred on the border, with General Carranza and the entire Constitutional Cabinet.

PRESIDENT HUERTA WARNED.

Mr. Bryan has warned President Huerta, the Government, and the Constitutionalists against burning any oil properties at Tampico. The employees of the Waterspice Oil Company of Mexico, with their families, making altogether seventy persons, have left for Vera Cruz, and will return to the United States.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S POLICY.

The Times' Washington correspondent says that President Wilson has decided upon his policy towards Mexico. If financial pressure fails to secure the elimination of Huerta, the policy will be to blockade the ports, and even to invade the country if necessary. Foreign Powers will be assured that nothing will induce the United States to acquire territory.

THE ULTIMATUM.

LATER.

Mr. O'Shaughnessy, the United States Charge d'Affaires at Mexico City, yesterday morning presented an ultimatum to President Huerta, in which the latter was given till six o'clock that evening to reply.

President Huerta completely ignored the ultimatum, which insisted that President Huerta prevent the assembling of the new Congress. It is understood that this was demanded because the convening of the Congress might give an air of legality to President Huerta's Government and also that the Congress might rapidly pass measures affecting oil concessions.

Feeling in Mexico City is most intense and numberless rumours are rife. Many people have hurriedly left for Vera Cruz.

Mr. Hale has made definite proposals to General Carranza. The details are unknown, but they have asked guarantees from him regarding the establishment of a stable government and to restore order in Mexico and to ensure the safety of foreigners.

Rebels interrupted traffic between Vera Cruz and Mexico City. They upheld a train and removed a million pesos worth of Government bullion and also a large consignment of silver belonging to a private company, besides robbing the passengers.

GENERAL CARRANZA'S ATTITUDE.

LONDON, Nov. 14.

General Carranza to-day declared that he could not accept the mediation of the United States in any form. The Constitutionalists only wanted the right to import munitions to Mexico City. Congress has been summoned to meet on Saturday.

JAPANESE HEROISM.

PRAISE FROM SIR CLAUDE MACDONALD.

LONDON, Nov. 13.

Sir Claude Macdonald, starting at the Japan Society on the occasion of the presentation of the Japanese contingent under Colonel Shiba, declared that but for them the whole district would have been a bad way.

The Japanese Ambassadors presided.

THE LAKE HURON DISASTER.

LONDON, Nov. 13.

Twenty steamer passengers and probably a hundred lives have been lost on Lake Huron by the gale.

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EARTHQUAKE IN PERU.

FEARED HEAVY CASUALTIES

LONDON, Nov. 14.

A telegram from New York states that an earthquake devastated the province of Ayacucho, Peru, on Friday. 120 people are known to have been killed, and it is feared that hundreds of others have succumbed.

Ten small towns have been destroyed.

LARKIN'S RELEASE.

THE AGITATOR AGAIN ACTIVE.

LONDON, Nov. 13.

It was announced in Dublin early to-day that the Government, taking into consideration the fact that the jury acquitted the strike leader Larkin on two counts of the indictment, including incitement to riot, have advised that the prerogative of mercy should be extended to Larkin in respect to his imprisonment for sedition libel. Accordingly he will be released immediately.

There has been a growing agitation in the Radical press lately, favouring the release of Larkin. The Labour members of the House of Commons memorialised Mr. Asquith, calling attention to the widespread belief that injustice had been done to Larkin, and contrasting the "impunity allowed, highly-placed people who make speeches far more dangerously seditious."

The Irish Transport Union, at Dublin yesterday, called out the dockers, bringing the trade at the port to a standstill, as a protest against the imprisonment of Larkin.

A SCANDALOUS ABUSE.

The Morning Post, and the Standard in editorials, denounce the release of Larkin as a scandalous abuse, prompted by electoral necessities.

LARKIN AND THE GOVERNMENT.

LONDON, Nov. 14.

The Labour agitator Larkin has been released. He immediately started telephoning instructions and then appeared at Liberty Hall, where he received a great ovation from 3,000 people. He exclaimed that they had beaten the strongest Government of modern times. The Government made a mistake in imprisoning him, but they made a greater one in releasing him. He would raise the fiery cross in England and there would be a general strike over Great Britain in a few hours. Lord Aberdeen, the Viceroy, must go, as he was a tool in the hands of unscrupulous Dublin capitalists. The only friends of Dublin were the working classes.

BIG NEW YORK BANKING HOUSE SMASH.

LIABILITIES, \$5,000,000; ASSETS \$50,000.

LONDON, Nov. 14.

A New York telegram states that a receiver has been appointed to take over the affairs of the banking house of H. B. Hollins and Company, who have extensive interests in Mexico. The company's liabilities are estimated at \$5,000,000 gold and the assets at \$50,000.

AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION.

AN IMPORTANT SUGGESTION.

LONDON, Nov. 14.

A Sydney telegram states that Mr. Justice Peddington, the Royal Commissioner on Industrial Arbitration, is of opinion that the Wages Board system is "cumbersome, lengthy and expensive, and should be replaced by a Court of three judges of the same status as those of the Supreme Court. It is essential in view of the greatness of the financial and other issues involved that those presiding over arbitration tribunals should be permanent salaried officials of the highest judicial status."

AN INDIAN NOVEL PRIZE WINNER.

LONDON, Nov. 14.

The Nobel Prize for literature has been conferred upon the Indian poet Rabindranath Tagore.

BY TELEGRAPH.

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THE ENGLISH TURF.

DERBY CUP RESULT.

LONDON, Nov. 14.

The result of the Derby Cup is:—
Bowman 1
Redwood 2
Farakabad 3
Fourteen ran; won by a neck; a head separating second and third.

THE BETTING.

The betting was 100 to 7 against Bowman; 4 to 1 against Redwood; 10 to 8 on Farakabad.

EXPLOSIVES FOR JOURNALISTS.

AN OFFICIAL'S FACE BURNED.

LONDON, Nov. 14.

A Calcutta cable states that Colonel Williams, Inspector-General of Explosives, was opening a suspicious letter addressed to "The Englishman" newspaper when it exploded. The Colonel's face was burnt but his eyes escaped injury. A similar letter addressed to "The Statesman" did not explode, but a sorter was injured by one addressed to "The Pioneer of India."

MR. BONAR LAW AND HOME RULE.

LONDON, Nov. 14.

Mr. Bonar Law, speaking at Norwich upon the Home Rule question, said the situation was unchanged since he spoke upon the question on October 29. "If the Government persists in obeying the orders of Mr. Redmond," he continued, "we are face to face with a national disaster. If they attempt to coerce the people of Ulster without the sanction of the people we shall support Ulster." This pronouncement created a scene of frantic enthusiasm, the audience rising and singing, Rule Britannia. "We shall be in honour bound to use every means of preventing British troops being used to shoot down loyal Irishmen," Mr. Bonar Law added. "Think what that means. If the Government has any proposals which will avert these horrors we will consider them in the most careful manner, solely regarding, not the interests of party, but the welfare of the nation."

BRITISH NAVAL APPOINTMENTS.

CRUISER SQUADRON COMMANDS.

LONDON, Nov. 14.

Vice-Admiral Burney, Rear-Admiral commanding the Fifth Cruiser Squadron, has been appointed to command the Second and Third Fleets. Rear-Admiral C. Madden, C.V.O., is appointed commander of the Second Cruiser Squadron, and Captain W. Christopher Pakenham, M.V.O., commander of the Third Cruiser Squadron.

THE COURT CARDS.

Despite adverse weather conditions there was a good audience at the Theatre Royal last night to listen to the Court Cards and their Joker. The company gave a repetition of the previous evening's performance and their delightful versatility again called forth well merited applause.

Miss Maude Fane's immense popularity was demonstrated from time to time by the enthusiasm with which the audience received her catchy songs and perfect presentations. This young lady's voice changes were marvellously clever and frequent honours testified to her great ability in light comedy. Indeed it is not too much to say that one gets completely carried away by her charming vivacity.

Miss Palmerston on the other hand sang with wonderful clearness and precision and displayed a voice of fine range and flexibility. Her notes on the up-regarde were magnificently rendered, calling forth enthusiastic appreciation from her auditors. Mr. Roy Palmer found warm admirers in his familiar, while Messrs. Warwick, Manning and Greyton each articulated their parts to a capital entertainment. The unaccompanied male quartets were excellent and Mr. Oulton's clever execution at the piano of a waltz by the specially mentioned. The evening as a whole displayed a fine combination of a whole display of talent and should draw immense houses, and by late and packed at the theatre the Company travel. The popularity of the evening was evidenced by the fact that each ticket was secured by an anxious queue of persons throughout an evening in which there was no single idle moment. To-night there will be another change of programme after 11 P.M. Mr. Oulton and party are expected to be present.

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK.

A Description of the New London Premises.

The palatial new London premises of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, which have been erected in Gracechurch-street, will be opened to business on 27th inst., and the accompanying photograph, together with a few particulars regarding the new building, will doubtless be of interest to members of the commercial world and others both here and in the Far East.

For a long time past the Corporation has been desirous of obtaining more suitable and larger premises for their worldwide business than were afforded by the old building in Lombard-street. The Bank has had a London office for 48 years, but hitherto it has been in leasehold premises. In due course a free hold site was secured near at hand in Gracechurch-street, within the charmed circle of the City banking world, and in a very prominent position. This site contains an area of some 12,000 super. feet, and can be approached on four sides, viz., from Gracechurch-street, Cornhill, Fenchurch-lane, and St. Michael's-alley. A little more than a year ago the whole area was covered with old buildings, and within the short period of some 15 months these have been swept away, and in their place has been erected a building that will do credit to the great banking institution of the Far East.

The building is what is known as a steel-framed structure, i.e., the skeleton is framed up with girders and stanchions, and then clothed with stone and brick. Where a building has to be recessed back on each story, in order to avoid spoiling the neighbours' light, this method of building is the most suitable. As will be seen from the accompanying illustration, the architecture of the front of the building is of a striking character, but the photograph renders any description unnecessary. As regards the interior, the ground floor is, of course, entirely used by the Bank for the transaction of its public business, and it is of a very lofty and spacious character. There are massive columns here and there faced with marble of soft hues. The high walls are similarly faced, giving a very palatial appearance to the large office, whilst the woodwork generally is in Cuba mahogany. The office is as symmetrical in plan as the site will allow, and is lighted by three glass domes in addition to the windows. Facing the main entrance is erected a large handsome clock, surrounded by white ornamental sculpture. It may be noted, in passing, that all the clocks in the building will be synchronised by electricity. The committee room, on the same floor, is lined with Italian walnut, and it possesses a real Adams mantel-piece, whilst the managers' rooms are lined with Australian silky oak, and contain some beautiful specimens of carving.

The Bank has also reserved for its own use the two basements, which provide offices for various departments of the Bank's business, such as telegraph and correspondence rooms and a stationery department, also a spacious library, cloak rooms, with separate lockers for each member of the staff, and every modern convenience. But the principal and most interesting feature of these basements is, of course, the strong rooms. These are of massive strength, with walls a yard thick, built of specially resistant material, and Chubb doors a foot thick, fitted with combination locks. Some of these are, of course, for the safe keeping of securities and bonds, whilst the central one, and the most secure of all, is for the reception of bullion. This latter strong room has no room beneath it, and under its floor is a very deep bed of concrete. Its Chubb door has an additional fastening even to the combination locks, and access can only be gained by a certain four members of the staff acting together, including the sub-manager, each one of whom alone knows the formula that will undo a particular lock. To make safety doubly sure, the surrounding passages are, of course, also patrolled by night. It may be added that there is no wood of any description inside the Treasury, thus avoiding any risk of fire. It is safe to say that no medieval dungeon has ever surpassed these rooms in strength.

In the lower basement also are situated the pumps and other machinery connected with the ventilation of the building, the big building, together with the electricity room. The Bank obtains its water supply from a well 400ft. deep that has been bored below the building. This was carried right down through 10ft. of shingle, then through the thick strata of blue clay, and so down to the chalk, and it provides a water that will abate large quantities with the best for purity. It has been examined by the City Analyst, who certifies it to be free of chalk, lime, copper, and lead, and indeed of all impurities. The water is raised by electric pumps, first into an 8,000-gallon reservoir, and from thence to another reservoir situated on the roof of the building. There is also a special apparatus by which supplies of air are drawn in, cleaned by running water, warmed, and then conveyed with oxygen combination to a whole display of ventilation. The building, as a whole, is a masterpiece of modern architecture, and by late and packed at the theatre the Company travel. The popularity of the evening was evidenced by the fact that each ticket was secured by an anxious queue of persons throughout an evening in which there was no single idle moment. To-night there will be another change of programme after 11 P.M. Mr. Oulton and party are expected to be present.

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ing was completed. No doubt the one remaining floor—which is extremely well lighted—will be disposed of before the building has been opened long for business. All these offices are beautifully fitted out, with oak, teak, and pine floors, and are well lighted. Then on the sixth floor above the ground floor we come to a luncheon room that has been appointed for the use of the Bank staff, with its accompanying kitchen overhead. Here some 40 or 50 members of the staff can be accommodated at a time, and there is no doubt that they will cordially appreciate a privilege they have not hitherto enjoyed of lunching comfortably on the premises. Rooms are, of course, also provided for the caretaker.

A visit to the roof for the fresh air that is there to be enjoyed demonstrates the fact that the building is amongst the highest in the City. The neighbouring church towers and steeples only slightly overtop it, and even the Monument near at hand diminishes very considerably in height when viewed from this altitude. Needless to say, the premises are provided with several convenient lifts of the most modern description. It will be apparent from the foregoing that no pains or expense have been spared to make the building as up to date and as complete as any in the City of London. It should be added that the architect of the new structure is Mr. Campbell James, to whom great credit is due, and the builders Messrs. George, Slope and Sons, and Colls and Sons, Ltd.

At the invitation of the Corporation a large number of friends and clients of the Bank visited and inspected the new premises on 22nd ult., when there was an informal reception by the Joint Managers, Sir Charles Addie and Mr. H. J. D. C. Jones, and luncheon was partaken of on the first floor. Much interest was shown in the different parts of the new edifice, and the "house-warming" proved a very successful function. L. and C. Express.

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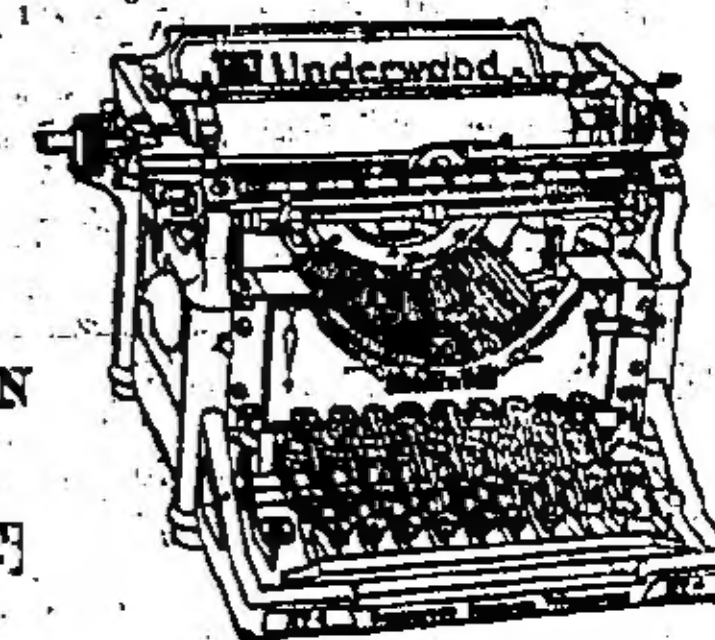
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